IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims 1, 10, 12 and 13 as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) A device for catching fish comprising a handle and a body ~~connected to a handle~~ wherein the body is a tube having a first end and a second end so that the first end has an opening that allows a fish to swim into the tube and a second end that prevents the fish's from swimming through the tube and the handle is rigidly connected to the body along a longitudinal axis of the body.

2. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the second end has at least one opening though which water flows.

3. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the body is made of plastic.

4. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 3, wherein the plastic is opaque.

5. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the body forms a funnel at the first end.

6. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the handle is made of stainless steel.

7. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the handle and body are made of plastic.

8. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 7, wherein the handle and body are formed as a single part.

9. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 1, wherein the handle has non-slip features.

10. (Currently Amended) A device for catching fish having a handle with a slip resistant surface and a opening at a first end of the handle and a second end, distally located from the first end, rigidly connected to a central portion of a body with a first end and a second end that is defined by an outer wall and an inner wall, the inner wall being generally smooth and forms a longitudinal chamber within the body, the first end of the body that has an opening large enough for a fish to swim into the longitudinal chamber, the chamber is of a sufficient length so that at least a substantial portion of the length of the fish is in the chamber, and a second end of the body that is formed so that it prevents the fish from swimming out of the chamber through the second end.

11. (Original) A device for catching fish according to claim 11, wherein the body has at least one drain port that is small enough to prevent a fish in the chamber from leaving the chamber through the drain port.

12. (Currently Amended) A device for catching fish that has a rigid handle connected to a body that is a rigid hollow opaque cone with the base of the cone forming an opening large enough to allow a fish to at least partially enter into the hollow body of the cone whereas the cone has at least one drain port that is small enough to prevent the fish from swimming through the drain port.

13. (Currently Amended) A device for catching fish having a handle and a body rigidly connected to the handle having a first end and a second end wherein the fish swim into the body of the device without bait through an opening in the first end whereby the fish is unable to exit the device by swimming out of the body through the second end.

14. (Original) A device according to claim 13 wherein the body is semi-rigid.